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NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY, RESOLUTION NO. R5-2003-0106, McCONNELL ESTATES WINERY, SACRAMENTO COUNTY

Staff has reviewed your 5 August 2003 Report of Waste Discharge (RWD) for land discharge of wastewater and residual solids generated by your winery. We understand that you wish to apply for coverage under Regional Board Resolution No. R5-2003-0106, the Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Small Food Processors. The proposed discharge has been assigned a threat to water quality and complexity rating of 3C, which requires an application fee of \$400. You had previously submitted a \$1,200 filing fee. Therefore, a refund of \$800 will be processed.

Discharge Description

The Discharger owns and operates the McConnell Estates Winery at 10686 West Stockton Boulevard in Elk Grove, Sacramento County. Approximately 17 tons of grapes were crushed in 2002. Based on the amount of wine produced, the Discharger estimates that approximately 15,000 gallons of wastewater will be generated each year. Winery wastewater will be stored on-site in a 1,500-gallon tank, and will be applied to 112 acres of cropland owned by the Discharger as the tank fills. The wastewater will be blended with fresh water prior to application. Residual solids from the winery operation will be spread on approximately 40 acres of vineyard and incorporated as it is generated.

Conditional Waiver

Based on the information submitted in the RWD, the discharge as described above satisfies the general and specific conditions of Resolution No. R5-2003-0106 for the current amount of grapes crushed and wastewater produced. Therefore, this letter serves as formal notice that Resolution No. R5-2003-0106 is applicable and waste discharge requirements for this facility are waived.

Enclosed is a copy of Resolution No. R5-2003-0106 and the associated monitoring and reporting program. As described therein, an annual report must be submitted by **1 February of each year**. If the discharge violates the terms or conditions of the waiver, the Regional Board may take enforcement action, including assessment of administrative civil liability. If the methods of

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winery wastewater and solids disposal changes from those described in the RWD, you must submit a new report of waste discharge. Please note that the waiver will expire on 11 July 2008, at which time you must submit a new RWD with filing fee to renew the waiver or cease the discharge.

If you have any questions regarding this Notice of Applicability, please contact Anne Olson at (916) 255-3140.

--Original Signed By--

THOMAS R. PINKOS
Executive Officer

Enclosure: Resolution No. R5-2003-0106

cc w/ enc.: Susan Kelly, Regional Water Quality Control Board, Sacramento
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